



Item #18

**Public Works
CITY OF AUSTIN
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

**AGENDA DATE: 4/6/2006
ITEM NO:**

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with AUSTIN FILTER SYSTEMS, INC., Austin, TX, for the rehabilitation of approximately 450 linear feet of existing creek channel for the Victoria Drive Channel Rehabilitation project in an amount not to exceed \$683,121.50.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Capital Budget of the Watershed Protection and Development Review Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

Requesting Department: PW

For More Information: Christina Calvery 974-7094, George Walker 974-3376, Laura Bohl 974-7064.

Prior Council Action:

Boards and Commission Action:

Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of three received;

MBE/WBE: 18.27% MBE and 4.48% WBE subcontractor participation.

see attachments.

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The contract allows 90 calendar days for substantial completion of this project followed by 45 calendar days for final completion to allow for adequate re-vegetation growth.

Bid documents were distributed to nine general contractors. Bids were opened on February 16, 2006. The low bidder, Austin Filter Systems, Inc., submitted the lowest of three bids received:

Austin Filter Systems, Inc., Austin, TX	\$ 683,121.50
Muniz Concrete & Contracting, Inc., Austin, TX	\$ 743,415.00
Smith Contracting Co., Inc., Austin, TX	\$ 801,409.15

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Participation sub-goals stated in the solicitation were 5.69% African American; 11.35% Hispanic; 0.46% Native/Asian American, 4.21% WBE. Total participation estimated on base bid amount of \$ 683,121.50:

NON M/WBE- PRIME	\$ 448,737.50	65.69%
Austin Filter Systems, Inc., Austin, TX	\$ 448,737.50	65.69%
MBE TOTAL - SUBCONTRACTORS	\$ 112,250.00	16.43%
MB Subtotal	\$ 39,900.00	5.84%
BMW Trucking, Austin, TX (hauling)	\$ 39,900.00	5.84%
MH Subtotal	\$ 72,350.00	10.59%
Texas Trucking, Austin, TX (hauling)	\$ 72,350.00	10.59%
WBE TOTAL - SUBCONTRACTORS	\$ 43,184.00	6.32%
Lone Star Ready Mix, Austin, TX (ready mix)	\$ 6,161.00	0.90%
Metalink Corporation, Austin, TX (fence installation)	\$ 6,435.00	0.94%
AFS Environmental, Austin, TX (erosion control services)	\$ 30,588.00	4.48%
NON M/WBE TOTAL - SUBCONTRACTORS	\$ 78,950.00	11.56%
Superior Stone, Austin, TX (riprap stone)	\$ 55,715.00	8.16%
Texas Crushed Stone, Georgetown, TX (select material)	\$ 13,200.00	1.93%
Maccaferri Gabions, Williamsport, MD (gabion baskets)	\$ 6,210.00	0.91%
Hanson Aggregates, Burnet, TX (riprap stone)	\$ 3,825.00	0.56%

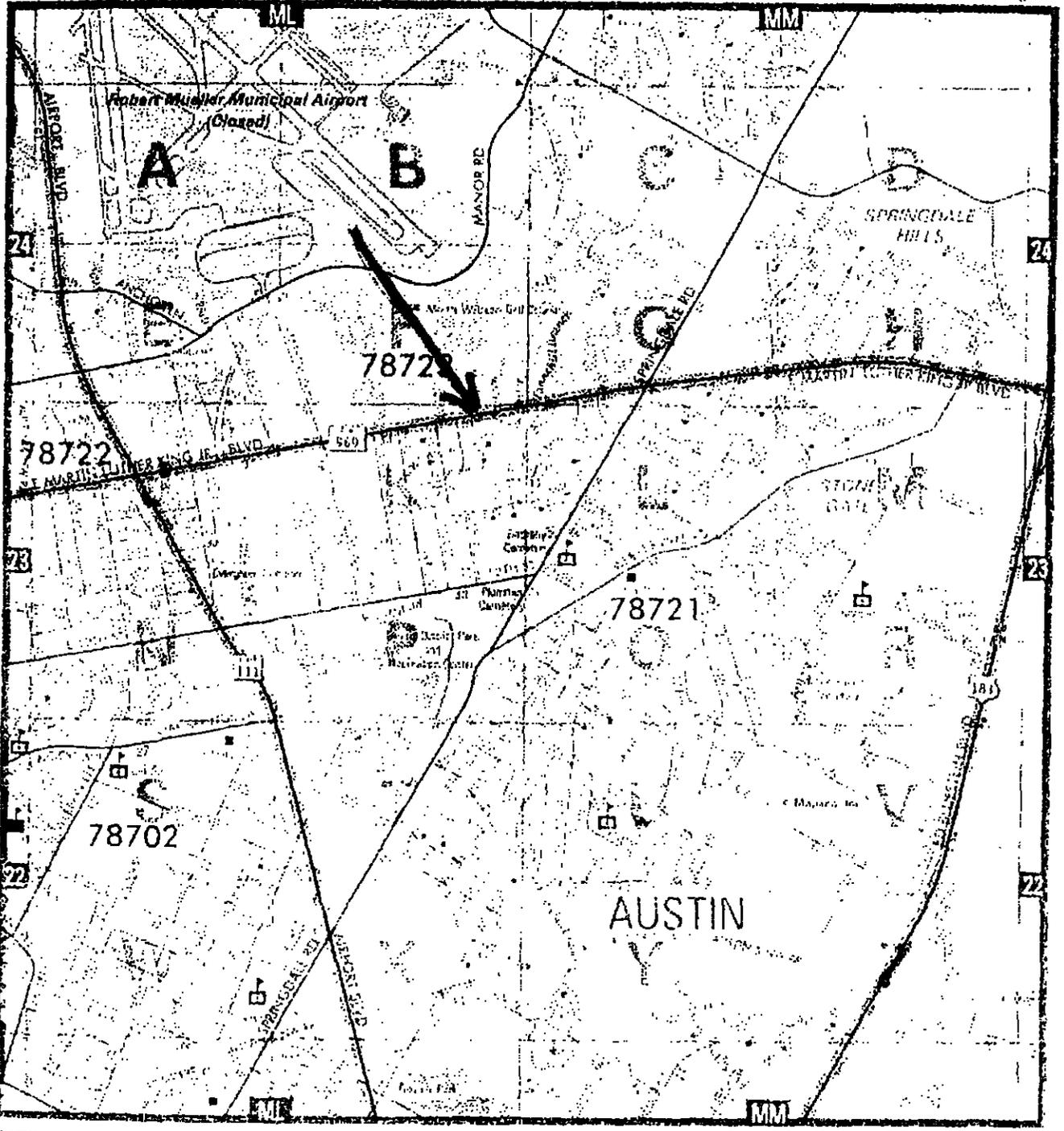
The Contractor submitted a MBE/WBE Compliance Plan that demonstrated a Good Faith Effort and was approved by the Department of Small & Minority Business Resources. Second and third low bidder information is provided below.

SECOND BIDDER - Muniz Concrete & Contracting, Inc., Austin, TX - \$743,415.00

86.51% MBE prime participation; 5.78% MB; 1.37% MH; 0% NA; 5.86% WBE; 0% Non M/WBE subcontractor participation.

THIRD BIDDER - ~~Smith Contracting Co., Inc., Austin, TX~~ \$801,409.15

87.97% Non M/WBE prime participation; 2.50% MB; 4.99% MH; 0% NA; 4.54% WBE; 0% Non M/WBE subcontractor participation.



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**CIP BUDGET
FISCAL NOTE**

DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION: 6-Apr-06
WHERE ON AGENDA:
DEPARTMENT: Watershed Protection & Development Review

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with AUSTIN FILTER SYSTEMS, INC., Austin, TX, for the rehabilitation of approximately 450 linear feet of existing creek channel for the Victoria Drive Channel Rehabilitation project in an amount not to exceed \$683,121.50.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Project Name: **VICTORIA DR CHANNEL STUDY**
Project Authorization: 2005-2006 Amended Capital Budget
Funding Source: Drainage Utility Fund
Fund/Agency/Orgn: 4850-617-8013

Total Current Appropriation	\$1,075,000.00
Unencumbered Balance	\$927,444.00
Amount of this Action	<u>(\$683,121.50)</u>
Remaining Balance	<u><u>\$244,322.50</u></u>

Financial Approval: Scott Lookabaugh Date: 3 14 06

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